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FROM WASHINGTON THIS AFTERNOON.

**PHILADELPHIANS AT THE CAPITAL.**  
WASHINGTON, March 6.

There are many Philadelphia politicians here and the expected early adjournment of Congress makes them particularly anxious about the disposal of certain Federal offices in and about Philadelphia.

**Second Internal Revenue District.**  
James Freeborn and William McMichael are urged for the Assessorship of the Second District. Both of these gentlemen are radical Republicans and are expected to be backed up by Senator Cameron's friends.

**Fourth Internal Revenue District.**  
It is understood that Alfred Adolph will be nominated for collector of the Fourth District.  
No Philadelphia appointments have been sent into the Senate to-day.

**The Senate Finance Committee.**  
The cause of Mr. Fessenden's declination to serve further on the Senate Committee of Finance is his feeble health. It is probable that a Committee on Appropriations will be created in order to relieve the Finance Committee of some of its labor, in which case Mr. Fessenden may consent to serve.

### The Tariff Bill and the Proposed Recess

An ineffectual attempt was made in the House to-day to bring up the Tariff bill, and get it referred to the Ways and Means Committee, and the House adjourned over until to-morrow, that the work of the session might be blocked out in caucus to-night. The opinion prevails that the caucus will decide in favor of a recess until October.

## PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS

Senate.

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Mr. Ramsey presented a petition for the improvement of the Minnesota river.

Mr. Harlan presented a petition for an appropriation for the purchase of a Boat Office.

Mr. Sherman called up a resolution just announced from the House for the appointment of a joint resolution to revive and continue the joint Committee of Retrenchment.

**House of Representatives.**

The reading of the journal of yesterday having been dispensed with, Mr. Stevens presented as a question of privilege the credentials of Mr. Hooper, delegate from Utah, who thereupon took the oath prescribed by law.

The Rev. Mr. Boynton, Chaplain of the House, also took the oath of office.

The first business in order was the motion to suspend the rules of the House at the adjournment yesterday, in order to permit Mr. Price (Iowa) to introduce a bill amendatory of the national currency law. The bill

prohibits banking associations from withdrawing either in the form of dividends or otherwise, any portion of their capital, and from making dividends greater than the amount of the profits. The bill would have the bill referred to a select committee, composed of such of the members of the late Committee on Banking and Currency as are members of the present House.

Mr. Randall (Pa.) said he was one of that number, and that the proposition was to refer the bill to a committee of resuscitation. He preferred, if this was urgent case, that it should have immediate action, and, with the consent of the gentleman from Iowa, would move to proceed to its consideration.

Mr. Wood (N. Y.) seemed the proposition unadvisable, and said he would move to refer the bill to the Committee on Banking and Currency when appointed.

The House refused to suspend the rules, and therefore the bill was not introduced.

Mr. Thomas (Md.) presented the petition of J. Stewart, contesting the seat of Mr. Phelps, of Maryland, in the House of Representatives.

The Speaker proceeded, as the regular order of business, to call on the States for resolutions. Under the call, resolutions were offered as follows:—

By Mr. Brooks (N. Y.), directing the Secretary of the Treasury to make personal inquiry into the

After a brief discussion between Messrs. Banks and Hulburd, the resolution went over till to-morrow.

Mr. Hubbard (N. Y.), directing the Secretary of the Treasury to furnish a statement showing what number of Collectors of Customs, Naval Officers, Surveyors, Inspectors, and other aids to the Revenue and other Officers have been removed since the 1st of March, 1876, the increase of salaries paid to the

By Mr. Ward (Ky.) reciting the statement made by an ex-member of the Cabinet (Mr. Blair), in a public speech at Baltimore, that the testimony given in behalf of the Government in the assassination trial was suborned, and that Mrs. Burritt was convicted and executed without any evidence of her guilt, and directing the appointment of a select committee to examine thoroughly into such charge, and report thereon, and to sit during the recess.

**Senate.**  
HARRISBURG, March 6.—Mr. Schall called up the act incorporating the city of Allentown. Passed.  
Mr. Ridgway read an act authorizing the construction of a bridge over the Schuylkill river at Philadelphia, stating at the same time that he was not committed in favor of the project, but merely read the act to oblige parties who had forwarded it to Harrisburg.  
Mr. Connell read an act authorizing the increase of the capital stock of the Connecting Railroad.  
Mr. McConaughy, an act requiring notices of application for legislation to be made.

Mr. Granin, from the Committee on Vice and Immorality, reported the Philadelphia Sunday travel bill with a negative recommendation. This does not destroy the bill, which will come before the Senate for final disposition, but he merely expressed the view of the majority of the Committee on Vice and Immorality on the subject.

Mr. McCaughy called up an act incorporating the National Homestead of Pittsburg, which was passed.

A supplement to the mechanics' lien law, authorizing liens to be issued for improvements upon buildings as well as upon the original construction, was discussed and passed.

The repairs and improvements must amount in value to over \$20.

An act confirming the title of William T. Hughes

**Latest Markets by Telegraph.**  
BALTIMORE, March 5.—Cotton dull at 51c. for Middling uplands. Coffee quiet and firm. Sugar

At 13¢/14¢, in gold, for prime to choice. Flour dull; superfine City Mills. \$10; Northwest superfine, \$9-95; Brazil brands, \$14-50; 147. Wheat—choice winter at \$3-25 to \$3-30; fair winter at \$3-12. Corn—supply light; mixed white, 98¢ good to prime, \$1-02; yellow \$1. Oats at 58¢. Sugar steady at 103¢/103¢ for fair to good ref.

ing. Chicago Mess Pork at \$22; new Mess at 9.

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**THE FRENCH ARMY.**—*La Patrie* says that the particulars of the law for the reorganization of the military service in France have been definitely settled in the Council of State. The

definitely settled in the Council of State. The president of the section on war and marine was charged with the duty of reporting the project to the Legislature. The time of active service is fixed at five years, after which the soldier must serve for four years in the national

guard (*male*). Young men not in the active army will serve four years in the reserve and five years in the guard. In the guard will also be enrolled all young men who have obtained exemption from service under the law of the 26th of August, 1855.